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| Copies of the cited references are | not enclosed, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d), | | | | | |
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| To the best of applicants' belief, | the pertinence of the foreign-language references are | | | | | |
| believed to be summarized in the attached English abstracts and in the figures, although applicants do not | | | | | | |
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It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of

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